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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: GARBA VISIT TO US

REFS: A) STATE 121265, B) LAGOS 5716

1. NIGERIAN EMBASSY ADVISED MAY 18 THAT IT HAD JUST LEARNED FROM MEA THAT NIGERIAN COMMISSIONER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS GARBA HAS ADDED GUYANA TO HIS CARIBBEAN ITINERARY. IN ORDER TO BE IN GUYANA ON MAY 24, GARBA WILL DEPART NEW YORK SUNDAY MAY 23, AND ONLY DAY AVAILABLE FOR MEETING WITH AMBASSADORS SCHAUFLE AND EASUM THEREFORE SATURDAY, MAY 22.

2. NIGERIAN EMBASSY SAYS IT CABLED OUR REQUEST FOR MEETING TO MEA, EXPECTS REPLY BY FRIDAY JUST AHEAD OF GARBA'S ARRIVAL IN US. EMBASSY REQUESTED US TO ASK YOU TO TELL
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MEA THAT YOUR CONVERSATION (REF B) AND CABLE RECEIVED BY

MEA FROM NIGERIAN EMBASSY MAY APPEAR DIFFERENT (BECAUSE
OF SUBSEQUENT ITINERARY CHANGES) BUT IN FACT RELATE TO
SAME US REQUEST FOR SINGLE MEETING WITH GARBA.

3. YOUR CONTINUED EFFORTS OBTAIN MEA DECISION APPRECIATED.

ROBINSON

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